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- Regular DRV forces will be concentrated at designated, well-supplied point from which an offensive can be launched. The program is designed to link with operations in North Vietnam. Binh Chanh (106-07, 10-15) is the Eastern Interzone base; U Minh forest (105-12, 08-58) is the Western Interzone base. One regular artillery battalion is stationed at each base as support for the regional forces. Battalion posts of the Eastern Interzone are spaced along the Song Be River in Bien Boa. Troops are constantly traveling among the provinces of Baria, Bien Hoa, Thu Dau Mot and Gia Dinh. During December DRV troops based at Phu My in Baria engaged French forces; they then returned to Phuoc Ly in Gia Dinh.
- 4. Huynh Van Dao commands a heavy artillery battalion attached to the 397 Regiment of the Donnai forces. This battalion with an effective force of about 500 men, has the following weapons:

4 x 105 mm cannons
1 x 80 mm cannon
2 x 75 mm cannons

4 x 81 mm and heavier mortars

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Some light machine guns and some heavy machine guns.

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